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Applicant : Kaempefer et al.  
Serial No. : 09/801,371  
Filed : March 7, 2001 Group Art Unit: 1645  
For : REGULATION OF GENE EXPRESSION THROUGH  
MANIPULATION OF m RNA SPLICING AND ITS USES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application.

In the Specification:

Please replace the first paragraph after the title of the application on page 1, with  
the following rewritten paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of copending International application  
PCT/IL99/00483 filed September 6, 1999, which is incorporated by reference herein,  
claiming priority from Israeli application Nos. 126112 filed September 7, 1998, and  
126757 filed October 26, 1998. The International application was published in English  
on March 16, 2000, by the International Bureau .--